STATE WATER BOARD **RESOLUTION NO. 2005-0014**

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH THE UNITED STATES BUREAU OF RECLAMATION (USBR) UNDER WHICH THE DIVISION OF WATER RIGHTS WILL BE REIMBURSED FOR ADMINISTERING THE WATER RIGHTS OF THE USBR

WHEREAS:

- 1. The USBR holds extensive water rights in the State of California.
- 2. As a federal agency, the USBR has declined to pay fees to the State.
- 3. For many years, the USBR has negotiated a separate agreement to reimburse the State Water Board for costs to administer water rights held by the USBR.
- 4. The existing agreement will expire on March 31, 2005.
- 5. Approval of this contract will ensure continued reimbursement by the USBR to the State Water Board for a portion of the administration of water rights for USBR projects.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the State Water Board authorizes the Executive Director to execute a \$650,000 (\$130,000 a year), five-year contract with the USBR for Division of Water Rights staff cost reimbursement for administration of the USBR's water rights during Fiscal Years 2004/2005, 2005/2006, 2006/2007, 2007/2008, and part of 2008/2009.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned Clerk to the Board does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the State Water Board on January 20, 2005.

Debbie Irvin

Clerk to the Board